

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 13, as follows:

Groups of clients 104 are shown in FIG. 42, schematically representing that traffic between the clients 104 and the external network 110 is divided between the firewalls 100. However, a particular client 112 is preferably not limited to the use of a single firewall 100, and instead may connect to a different firewall 100 to connect to the external network 110. The particular client 112 is a subset of the group of clients 104, and is separated out for clarity. The clients 104 preferably are connected to one another behind the firewalls 100. That is, communications between clients 104 need not pass through a firewall 100.